

OKANAGAN SERPENT

VICTIM OF COLD

Monster's Death Struggles

Watched by an Indian

Vancouver, B. C.—"Heaving, crack-

ing ice, thrown up into mounds, near

the shore of Okanagan lake, a few

miles north of Kelowna, B. C., saw a

dispatch from there, formed the basis

of reports that "Ogopogo," a monster

monster, died during the recent cold

weather.

Peter Simon, half-breed Indian, ac-

cording to the dispatch, said that while

hunting along the shore he saw the

"form" of the monster by some monster's

struggles and fragments thrown far

up on the shore.

"Timidly venturing near," it con-

tinued, "Peter said he could see the

monster's form, and saw the monster

more and more feeble, then bubble

up into the air. Creeping to the lake

shore he made certain the monster

was dead, then, dropping his

rifle, rushed frantically back to Ke-

lowna.

This "Ogopogo," or sea serpent,

gained much publicity for Okanagan

lake, B. C., when it was first reported

that the monster had been seen by

the native population last summer by

its sudden appearance in its lake.

In appearance the "Ogopogo" is de-

scribed as measuring 20 feet from

tip of its scaly, serpent-like tail.

It has a head like a sheep, a body like

a sea serpent, and a head like a

sheep. It is said to be a

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FISHMONGER CLAIMS

CARLOTTA'S FORTUNE

Says He Is Only Son of Late

Mexican Ruler.

London.—A Billingsgate fishmonger,

known to his fellows as William

Brightwell, but who calls himself "His

Imperial Highness, Archduke Maximilian

of Austria," is making plans to

claim a share of the fortune left by

the late Empress Carlotta.

"Prince Bill," as his neighbors have

dubbed him, claims he is the only son

of Maximilian and Carlotta. He says

he was born in Rome, December 8,

1867, and was brought to England by

a "mysterious, sorrowful woman in

black," who left him in care of a

priest.

The fish peddler says the mysteri-

ous woman later disclosed his true

identity and that his story has been

confirmed by Archduke Johann of Tus-

cany.

Empress Carlotta's fortune, which

consists of government bonds, in addi-

tion to her private possessions, has not

been accurately estimated, but it is

believed that an inventory will

show it to be large.

The heirs include King Albert of

Belgium, Albert's sisters, the duchess

of Vendôme and Princess Josephine

of Hohenzollern, Carlotta's sisters,

Princess Louise and Princess Napo-

leon and Carlotta's niece, the duchess

of Schleswig-Holstein.

Old-Timer, 100, Eats

Cucumbers, Smokes

Kansas City, Mo.—Eating cucumbers

and green corn need not keep one

from living 100 years.

"Uncle" Joe Newton of Springfield,

Mo., who passed his one hundredth

birthday June 28, would rather eat

cucumbers than anything else, unless

there is green corn and a good brown

pork roast on the table. When he ar-

rived at the Hotel Baltimore Uncle

Joe said the muddy roads between

Kansas City and Springfield made him

a little stiff, but he thought a dinner

and a night's sleep would "fix me all

right." He said he stood the motor

car trip with his youngest son, Dwight

E. Newton, forty-nine years old of

Springfield, "pretty well for a young

fellow."

Uncle Joe turned back the years

looking for a reason to which he

might attribute his long life.

He said he had been a regular

drinker of beer and wine, but he had

quit the time he got up in the morning

until 11 o'clock at night. "I also

drank coffee with three meals a day,

and I feel pretty good."

\$5,947,729 Expended on

False Teeth in One Year

Washington.—False teeth and tin

can form more than a rattling link

in the nation's industrial chain. Data

from the Commerce department, they

are not slipping either as the

years roll by.

Figures from the census bureau

show that the production of dental

goods, including false teeth, filling

crowns and bridges, to have been

worth \$5,947,729 in 1925, an increase

of 21 per cent over 1923. False teeth

alone were valued at \$3,447,729.

Evidently going to factory sources

instead of back alleys for their tin-

can teeth, the tabulators found 221

plants turned out \$235,738,120 worth

of tin products, including milk and ice

cream cans, brought the total up to

\$235,738,120, an increase of 20.6 per

cent compared with 1923.

Close Shop That Sold

Washington Castor Oil

Fredericksburg, Va.—Young George

Washington—he of the cherry tree

fame—probably would be a happy

youngster were he here today. The

drug store where his mother purchased

castor oil for him is "closed."

What may be the oldest apothecary

shop in the United States was opened

here by Hugh Mercer. The Washington

firm believed in castor oil as a cure

all for what ails you.

When George grew up, however, he

evidently forgot the physician's con-

coctions, for it was at Washington's

request that Mercer was chosen by

congress as a brigadier general in the

Continental Army.

Marriages Are Few in

Italian Switzerland

Milan.—No wedding bells have

rung for a year in forty-eight

communes of Italian Switzer-

land. In 1925, not a single birth